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Notice to Navigation Interests

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BLASTING SCHEDULE FOR NEW LOCK CONSTRUCTION

MARMET LOCKS AND DAM

KANAWHA RIVER, MILE 67.7

Notice is given that on or about 21 June 2004, Kokosing / Fru-Con, contractors for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District, will begin blasting in the new lock construction area at Marmet Locks and Dam, Kanawha River, mile 67.7.

Two blasts are scheduled daily at approximately 12:15 p.m. and 5:45 p.m., Monday through Friday with Saturday being a make up day due to weather. The contractor will be monitoring marine channels 13 and 16. It is anticipated that the blasting will be completed on or about 31 November 2004.

The original locks will be closed approximately 20 minutes for each blast. The lock whistle will be using the following safety signals for the operation:

- 1. Warning Signal** – a one-minute series of long audible signals 5 minutes prior to blast signal.
- 2. Blast Signal** – a series of short audible signals 1 minute prior to the shot.
- 3. All Clear Signal** – a prolonged audible signal following the inspection of blast area.

Prior to and during detonation there will be no deckhands, boats, or red flag barges permitted beyond the arrival points marked on the navigation charts. Other barges will be permitted in the chambers during the detonation, but deckhands must be taken out of the area by their respective tow boat.

Mariners are urged to proceed with caution after passing arrangements have been made with lock personnel.

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